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In response to the Office Action of August 31, 2006, the period for response having been extended for three (3) month by the attached petition, please amend the present application as follows: